



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

MAY 21 2015

IN THE MATTER OF:

Shell Oil Company and Deer Park Refining Limited Partnership
910 Louisiana Street (TSP 2248)
Houston, TX 77002

ATTENTION:

Mike P. Gallagher, Manager, Safety, Environment & Social Performance Americas

Request to Provide Information Pursuant to the Clean Air Act

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requiring Shell Oil Company and Deer Park Refining Limited Partnership (Shell or you) to submit certain information about your facility in Deer Park, Texas. Appendix B specifies the information that you must submit and a schedule for that submittal.

We are issuing this information request under section 114(a) of the Clean Air Act (the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 7414(a) which authorizes the Administrator of EPA to require the submission of information. The Administrator has delegated this authority to Phillip A. Brooks, Director of the Air Enforcement Division, Office of Civil Enforcement.

Shell owns and operates emission sources at its Deer Park, Texas facility. We are requesting this information to determine whether other subject emission sources are complying with the Act.

You must send all requested information to:

Robert Parrish, Attorney-Advisor
USEPA - Air Enforcement Division
MC 2242-A, Room 2109B
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20460
(202) 564-6946
parrish.robert@epa.gov

Under 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B, you may assert a claim of business confidentiality for any portion of the submitted information. You must specify the page, paragraph, and sentence when identifying the information subject to your claim. Appendix A specifies the assertion and substantiation requirements for business confidentiality claims and notifies you that EPA intends to disclose information for which a claim of business confidentiality has been asserted to an

authorized contractor for technical review, analysis, and evaluation support.

You must submit all requested information under an authorized signature with the following certification:

I certify under penalty of law that I have examined and am familiar with the information in the enclosed Documents, including all attachments. Based on my inquiry of those individuals with primary responsibility for obtaining the information, I certify that the statements and information are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for knowingly submitting false statements and information, including the possibility of fines or imprisonment pursuant to section 113(c)(2) of the Act, and 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and 1341.

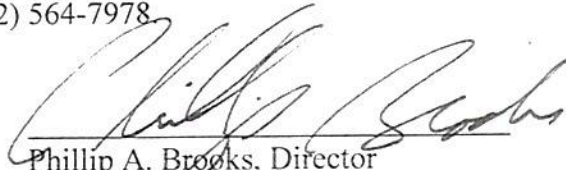
We may use any information submitted in response to this request in an administrative, civil, or criminal action.

This request is not subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. § 3501 et seq., because it seeks collection of information from specific individuals or entities as part of an administrative action or investigation. To the extent that you respond with non-electronic media, to aid in our electronic record keeping efforts, please provide such Documents without staples. Paper clips, binder clips, and 3-ring binders are acceptable.

Failure to comply fully with this request for information may subject Shell to an enforcement action under Section 113 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413.

You should direct any questions about this request for information to Robert Parrish at (202) 564-6946 or Patrick W. Foley at (202) 564-7978.

5/20/2015
Date


Phillip A. Brooks, Director
Air Enforcement Division
Office of Civil Enforcement
U.S. EPA

APPENDIX A

Confidential Business Information (CBI)

You may assert a business confidentiality claim covering all or part of the information you provide in response to this information request for any business information entitled to confidential treatment under Section 114(c) of the Clean Air Act (the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 7414, and 40 C.F.R. Part 2, subpart B. Under Section 114(c) of the Act, you are entitled to confidential treatment of information that would divulge methods or processes entitled to protection as trade secrets. Under 40 C.F.R. Part 2, subpart B, business confidentiality means “the concept of trade secrecy and other related legal concepts which give (or may give) a business the right to preserve the confidentiality of business information and to limit its use or disclosure by others in order that the business may obtain or retain business advantages it derives from its rights in the information.” See 40 C.F.R. § 2.201(e).

Information covered by a claim of business confidentiality will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures, set forth in Section 114(c) of the Act and 40 C.F.R. Part 2, subpart B. EPA will construe your failure to furnish a business confidentiality claim with your response to this information request as a waiver of that claim, and the information may be made available to the public without further notice to you.

To assert a business confidentiality claim, you must place on (or attach to) all information you desire to assert as business confidential either a cover sheet, stamped or typed legend, or other suitable form of notice employing language such as “trade secret,” “proprietary,” or “company confidential” at the time you submit your response to this information request. Allegedly confidential portions of otherwise non-confidential Documents should be clearly identified, and may be submitted separately to facilitate identification and handling by EPA. You should indicate if you desire confidential treatment only until a certain date or until the occurrence of a certain event.

The criteria EPA will use in determining whether material you claim as business confidential is entitled to confidential treatment are set forth at 40 C.F.R. §§ 2.208 and 2.301. These regulations provide, among other things, that you must satisfactorily show that: (1) the information is within the scope of business confidentiality as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 2.201(e), (2) that you have taken reasonable measures to protect the confidentiality of the information and that you intend to continue to do so, (3) the information is not and has not been reasonably obtainable by legitimate means without your consent, and (4) the disclosure of the information is likely to cause substantial harm to your business’s competitive edge. See 40 C.F.R. § 2.208 (a)-(d). Emission data, as defined at 40 C.F.R. § 2.301(a)(2), is expressly not entitled to confidential treatment under 40 C.F.R. Part 2, subpart B. See 42 U.S.C. § 7414(c); 40 C.F.R. § 2.301(e).

If you assert a claim of business confidentiality in connection with information and Documents forwarded in response to this request for information, in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 2.204(e)(4), EPA is requesting that you answer the following questions with respect to any information or Document for which you assert a claim of business confidentiality:

1. What specific portions of the information are alleged to be entitled to confidential treatment? Specify by page, paragraph, and sentence when identifying the information subject to your claim.
2. For what period of time do you request that the information be maintained as confidential, e.g., until a certain date, until the occurrence of a specified event, or permanently? If the occurrence of a specific event will eliminate the need for confidentiality, specify that event. Additionally, explain why the information should be protected for the time period you've specified.
3. What measures have you taken to protect the information claimed as confidential from undesired disclosure? Have you disclosed the information to anyone other than a governmental body or someone who is bound by an agreement not to disclose the information further? If so, why should the information still be considered confidential?
4. Is the information contained in any publicly available material such as the Internet, publicly available databases, promotional publications, annual reports, or articles? Is there any means by which a member of the public could obtain access to the information? Is the information of a kind that you would customarily not release to the public?
5. Has any governmental body made a determination as to the confidentiality of the information? If so, please attach a copy of the determination.
6. For each category of information claimed as confidential, explain with specificity whether disclosure of the information is likely to result in substantial harm to your competitive position. Explain the specific nature of those harmful effects, why they should be viewed as substantial, and the causal relationship between disclosure and such harmful effects. How could your competitors make use of this information to your detriment?
7. Is there any other explanation you deem relevant to EPA's determination of your business confidentiality claim that is not covered in the preceding questions? If so, you may provide such additional explanation.

You must furnish comments to the above questions concurrent with your response to this information request if you have claimed any information as business confidential. See 40 C.F.R. § 2.204(e)(2). Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 2.205(b)(2), you may request an extension of this deadline. EPA will construe your failure to furnish timely comments as a waiver of your confidentiality claim, consistent with 40 C.F.R. § 2.204(e)(1). Please submit your comments to:

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Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 2.205(c), you are hereby advised that information you submit as part of your comments may be regarded by EPA as entitled to confidential treatment if, when it is received by EPA, it is marked in accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 2.203(b). As required by 40 C.F.R. § 2.204(e)(6), you may assert a business confidentiality claim covering all or part of your response to these questions, as provided in 40 C.F.R. § 2.203(b). Information covered by such a claim will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures, set forth in Section 114(c) of the Clean Air Act (the Act) and 40 C.F.R. Part 2. EPA will construe the failure to furnish a confidentiality claim with your comments as a waiver of that claim, and the information may be made available to the public without further notice to you.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §2.301(h)(2)(iii), you are further advised that to assist in its review and analysis of the submitted information, EPA intends to share this information with an EPA contractor. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §2.301(h), EPA possesses the authority to disclose information otherwise entitled to confidential treatment to any authorized representative of the United States approved to receive and review information subject to a business confidentiality claim. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §2.301(h)(2)(iii), EPA is notifying you that EPA intends to disclose information for which you may assert a business confidentiality claim to the Eastern Research Group, Inc. (ERG) under contract number EP-W-11-004, to provide EPA with technical review, analysis, and evaluation support. You may submit comments to EPA with your response to this Request to Provide Information Pursuant to the Clean Air Act or within five (5) working days of your response. Please submit your comments to the above EPA Attorney Advisor.

APPENDIX B

Request to Provide Information

I. INSTRUCTIONS

If information or Documents not known or not available to you as of the date of submission of a response to this Request should later become known or available to you, you must supplement your response to EPA. Moreover, should you find, at any time after the submission of your response that any portion of the submitted information is false or misrepresents the truth, you must notify EPA of this fact as soon as possible and provide EPA with a corrected response. There are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment.

Pursuant to the Clean Air Act, Shell Oil Company and Deer Park Refining Limited Partnership (Shell) must provide the following information within fifteen (15) days of its receipt of this Request. EPA requests that the non-narrative information be provided in editable form, in spreadsheet format, preferably in Excel and that narrative Documents be provided in searchable pdf format or in Word. For each Document produced in response to this Information Request, indicate on the Document, or in some other reasonable manner, the number of the Question to which it responds. Please submit all information for each question in a logically titled and sequenced manner.

If the information requested was previously submitted to EPA in response to another Section 114 Request, Shell may either resubmit the information or may for each specific request, identify the date and addressee of the prior submittal and identify the location of the specific information within the prior submittal.

II. DEFINITIONS

"Document" and "Documents" shall mean any object that records, stores, or presents information, and includes writings of any kind, formal or informal, whether or not wholly or partially in handwriting, including documentation solely in electronic form, including by way of illustration and not by way of limitation, any invoice, manifest, bill of lading, receipt, endorsement, check, bank draft, canceled check, deposit slip, withdrawal slip, order, correspondence, record book, minutes, memorandum of telephone and other conversations, including meetings, agreements and the like, diary, calendar, desk pad, scrapbook, notebook, bulletin, circular, form, pamphlet, statement, journal, postcard, letter, telegram, telex, report, notice, message, analysis, comparison, graph, chart, interoffice or intra office communications, photo stat or other copy of any documents, microfilm or other film record, any photograph, sound recording on any type of device, any punch card, disc or disc pack; any tape or other type of memory generally associated with computers and data processing (together with the programming instructions and other written material necessary to use such punch card, disc, or

disc pack, tape or other type of memory and together with printouts of such punch card, disc, or disc pack, tape or other type of memory); and (a) every copy of each document which is not an exact duplicate of a document which is produced, (b) every copy which has any writing, figure or notation, annotation or the like on it, (c) drafts, (d) attachments to or enclosures with any document, and (e) every document referred to in any other document.

“Facility” means Shell’s facility in Deer Park, Texas.

“Person” or “Persons” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 302(e) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7602 (e), and includes an individual, corporation, partnership, association, State, municipality, political subdivision of a State, and any agency, department, or instrumentality of the United States and any officer, agent or employee thereof.

“You” or “Yours”, as used in each of the questions set forth in Section III of this Information Request, refers to, and shall mean, the company or corporation with which each addressee of this Section 114 letter is affiliated including its subsidiaries, division, affiliates, predecessors, successors, assigns, and its former and present officers, directors, agents, employees, representatives, attorneys, consultants, accountants, and all other persons acting on its behalf.

All terms used in this Request will have their ordinary meaning unless such terms are defined in the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq., and the implementing regulations.

Words in the masculine shall be construed in the feminine, and vice versa, and words in the singular shall be construed in the plural, and vice versa, where appropriate in the context of a particular question or questions.

III. QUESTION

For the flare gas recovery systems (FGRS) serving the East Property/Girbotol Flare please provide copies of the Authorizations for Expenditure (AFE’s) for each FGRS. To the extent that the AFE’s do not contain the following information, please include in your response an accounting of all: direct labor, material, and sub-contractor field costs, including but not limited to, demolition, concrete, steel, buildings, equipment, piping, electrical, control systems, paint, insulation, fireproofing; indirect field costs; and engineering costs.